



BARRY R. LIPSITZ
DOUGLAS M. McALLISTER

Law Offices
BARRY R. LIPSITZ
BRADFORD GREEN, BUILDING 8
755 MAIN STREET
MONROE, CONNECTICUT 06468

PATENTS, TRADEMARKS, COPYRIGHTS

TELEPHONE: (203)459-0200
FACSIMILE: (203)459-0201

In re Application of: **S. Imura**
Application No.: **09/939,177**
Filed: **August 24, 2001**
For: **NON-WASHING RICE MANUFACTURE APPARATUS AND
NON-WASHING RICE MANUFACTURE METHOD**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Art Unit: **1761**
Examiner: **George C. Yeung**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is:

- [X] Response to Restriction Requirement (2 pages);
- [X] Return receipt postage prepaid postcard;
- [X] I certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: **Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on April 16, 2004.**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the payment of the required fee(s) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0625.

Very truly yours,

Barry R. Lipsitz
Attorney for Applicant(s)
Registration No. 28,637
Law Office of Barry R. Lipsitz
755 Main Street, Bldg. 8
Monroe, Connecticut 06468
(203) 459-0200

Attorney Docket No.: **APL-129**



P A T E N T

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
S. Imura) Examiner: George C. Yeung
Application No.: 09/939,177) Art Unit: 1761
Filed: August 24, 2001)

For: **NON-WASHING RICE MANUFACTURE APPARATUS
AND NON-WASHING RICE MANUFACTURE METHOD**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on April 16, 2004.

By: Carol Prentice

Carol Prentice

**RESPONSE TO
RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on March 17, 2004 in the above-identified U.S. patent application. Restriction has been required between claims 1-9 (Group I) or claims 10-11 (Group II).

Applicant hereby elects the invention of **Group I** (claims 1-9).

Examination and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'B. Lipsitz', written over a horizontal line.

Barry R. Lipsitz
Attorney for Applicant
Registration No.: 28,637
755 Main Street
Monroe, CT 06468
(203) 459-0200

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: APL-129

DATE: April 16, 2004